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## Dahlia Gardens

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# My 1945 Introduction

## PLANT LIST FOR 1945

**Corriene Sue**—F. D., color flox purple, blended rhodamine purple, 10 to 12 in. by 6. Sport of James Ross, last year Honor Roll dahlia; good stems—keep a week after cut; scored 85 on Dudley's Honor Roll. In class by itself. Only plants \$5.00 net.

**Ronnie Lee**—Semi-cac. to F. D. color, blend of scarlet red and salmon orange. 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ x9 for me this year. Very attractive. Fair tuber maker, good keeper.

One prominent grower's statement: "Dear Mr. Dorff. After growing Ronnie Lee for 2 years, I never had any doubt but what it would reach the Honor Roll. I believe it to be the best dahlia ever introduced. Has everything that takes the fancier's eye." Grove C. Moelineaux, 111 Jerusalem Ave., Hempstead, L. I., New York. Pot Clumps \$10.00, plants \$5.00 net. On Roberts Honor Roll.

**Essie Smith**—S. C., a borderline between lavender and pink. 11 to 13 in. by 6. Honor Roll dahlia. On the must list. Plants \$5.00 net. Smith's Dahlia Gardens, Parkersburg, W. Va.

**Jane Lausche**—S. C., bi-color, deep mallow purple with lavender effect; ends of petals white. Scored 86. Good grower, strong stems. On three Honor Rolls. Plants \$7.50.

**Faithful**—Semi-cac., pure white blooms, 10 to 12 in. by 5. Always full centered, heavy bloomer early to late. Honor Roll dahlia. Plants \$5.00. Good tuber maker.

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## PLANT LIST FOR 1944

**James Ross**—World's champion reddish purple. 10 to 13 in. by 7. Velvet from tip to center on Dudley's Honor Roll. Won 2 firsts, 4 specials, 2 gold medals at Midwest show at Louisville, Ky. Entered by Geo. A. Shee of Louisville, Ky. Swept the entire show. Informal Dec. clumps \$10.00, tubers \$5.00, plants \$2.50 net.

**Sherwood's Peach**—I. D., color Ocherus buff. Size 11-16x8-9 deep. On Honor Roll. Sure is a peach. Plants \$2.50.

**Pink Flamingo**—Inc. cac. Size 8-11x5-6 deep. Good grower. 5 to 6 ft. tall plants \$2.50.

**Delmarvel**—F. D., color scarlet orange. A beauty 10 to 13 in. by 7 in. deep. Plants \$1.00.

**Gaylord Ballay**—I. D., white. Will go to 14 in. by 8 in. Sure a wonderful white. Good grower, good tuber maker. Plants \$1.50.

**Rev. Pugh**—F. D., color orange red. As pretty a flower as you want to look at. 10 to 12 in. Plants \$1.00.

**World's Event**—F. D., color pink. One of the best pinks ever introduced. 10 to 12 in. by 6. Plants \$1.00.

**Clara Belliam**—Imf. D., color yellow, white tipped. Size 10 to 12 in. by 7. A wonderful sight to behold. Plants \$1.00.

**Favorita**—C., canary yellow. A giant, good grower, tuber maker. Plants \$1.00 net. Very outstanding.

**Magna Charta**—I. D., old rose. Another giant. Plants \$1.00 net. Good grower and tuber maker. Very outstanding.

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#### PLANT LIST FOR 1943

**Baker's Best**—I. D., color light yellow. 10 to 12 in. A beautiful flower, good grower and tuber maker. Plants 50 cents.

**Commando**—F. D., color dark lavender. 10 to 12 in. Good grower and tuber maker. Plants 50 cents.

**Bataan**—S. C., color red and yellow. 8 to 10 in. Very outstanding. Plants 50 cents.

**Indian Giant**—I. D., color apricot. 10 to 14 in. A beauty. Plants 75 cents.

**Irene Dunn**—Cac., color rose-pink. One of the prettiest. Plants 75 cents.

**Tops**—I. D., yellow. One of the best and largest. Plants 50 cents.

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#### Testimonials

Grover C. Moelineaux, of Brooklyn, N. Y., one of the best growers of the state, says James Ross is sure the world's champion red.

This dahlia was tried out by Mr. Carl Salback of Berkeley, Cal., who says: "It is the greatest red to date."

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Mr. C. B. Ambrose of Norfolk, Va., one of the greatest dahlia growers of the South, says it is the finest dahlia he ever grew and he grows nothing but the best.

Mr. A. J. Schlagheck, proprietor of the Isabelle Dahlia Gardens of Toledo, Ohio, says the James Ross is a wonderful dahlia. The best red he has ever seen.

Mr. A. A. Ames of Yakima, Wash., grew this dahlia last year and he says it is a World Beater.

Mr. Henry Ritzer of W. Bridgewater, Pa., one of the largest growers in that state says, it is the finest dahlia he has ever grown and it can't be beat for size, color and formation.

Mr. Harold Gallimore, ex-president of East Liverpool Dahlia Society, who has more ribbons and cups than any grower in this district, and is one of the outstanding dahlia growers in this section, says that it is not only the best red, but the best dahlia he ever saw.

James Ross is an Informal Decorative and will grow from 10x14x8 in. This dahlia is a rugged grower, heavy bloomer, a good tuber maker and has a wonderful stem that holds the bloom well out of the foliage. Insects do not bother this dahlia. This dahlia won a first in a vase of three in seedling class, and also a first in an open class in the Pittsburgh, Pa. Dahlia Show last year.

Mr. John Keil, one of the oldest florists in the country, made this statement: "James Ross, Ronnie Lee, and Corriene Sue, were the best and the most beautiful dahlias he had ever seen." Address—209 East Fifth St., East Liverpool, O.

Mr. D. E. Short of Nashville, Tenn., says: "My plants of James Ross done well and certainly are beautiful. They came up to all expectations." Jackson University, Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. C. F. Giffen of St. Clairsville, Ohio, says: "James Ross is everything you claim it to be. It's in a class by itself."

Mr. C. A. Nelson, 4537 46th Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., says: "Ronnie Lee and Corriene Sue are two that's hard to beat and deserve the Honor Roll."

Mr. Elmer Eddy of Calcutta, Ohio, says: "Ronnie Lee, Corriene Sue and James Ross are the three best on the market."

Mr. William Junkerman of 213 Carolina Ave., Chester, W. Va., the amateur champion of that city, says: "James Ross, Ronnie Lee and Corriene Sue are the three outstanding dahlias of the year."

(Other statements on request.)

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All prices net. F. O. B., East Liverpool, Ohio. In this circular I have listed the best 1945s, '44s and '43s in my opinion, and when you have grown them I believe you will agree with me. All plants grown in 3-inch pots. Grown cool, no bottom heat, grown in house built for that purpose for dahlias only. For reference—any bank or business house in East Liverpool, Ohio.

Get your orders in early. Twenty years in the business. Write for combination prices. Orders not accepted for less than \$3.00.

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## **MY 1945 INTRODUCTIONS**

**Ronnie Lee** and **Corriene Sue**, both bronze medal winners and Honor Roll Dahlias.

My 1944 introduction, **James Ross**, claimed by experts to be the world's champion red. Grow them and you grow the best.

